# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# SHIPPING
# LOK SABHA

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**Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:**

(a) whether a navigation service is to be introduced for Colombo (Sri Lanka) from India;

(b) if so, the details thereof ; and

(c) the time by which the said service is likely to be introduced ?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING (SHRI DILIPKUMAR MANSUKHLAL GANDHI)

(a) The Prime Minister of Sri Lanka during his visit to India recently proposed introduction of a ferry service linking Kochi and Colombo.

(b)&(c) Government of India has agreed to examine the possibility of starting ferry service between the two countries. Therefore, at this stage time frame can not be given.